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## SINGLE GERMAN CAPTURES SHIP ON HIGH SEAS

Young Teuton Stowaway Holds Up Crew of Fifty-six at Revolver Point.

### SAILORS OBEY ORDERS

Singlehanded Pirate Rules Vessel, Threatening to Blow Up Ship if Men Resist.

### CAPTAIN'S PLEA TOUCHES HIM

Orders Vessel to Delaware Breakwater, Where Pilot and Coast Guard Men Effect Capture.

Special to The Washington Herald.  
Lewes, Del., March 30.—A tall blond-haired young German giving his name as Ernest Schiller is in the lockup here tonight charged with piracy for having captured a British ship with a crew of fifty-six men single-handed on the high seas.

Schiller stowed away on the British steamship Matopha in Hoboken and crawled out of the lifeboat at 8 o'clock last night after the steamship had cleared Sandy Hook lightship. With two ugly looking revolvers, Schiller made his way to the cabin of Capt. Richard Berger and took charge of the vessel, which was bound for Vladivostok, Siberia, with barbed wire and railroad materials. He kept the British captain a prisoner in his cabin while he proceeded to the wireless station and rounded up the two wireless operators, smashing the wireless outfit. Schiller then marched the two operators to the captain's quarters, and sent for the second engineer, to whom he issued instructions to keep the vessel on its course during the night. That he finally was captured and his plans were frustrated, Schiller blames on "four pals in Hoboken who backed out and left me alone to go ahead without them."

With the second engineer, Schiller also sent out word to the other officers and the crew not to attempt to rescue the captain under penalty of certain death for his prisoners and all hands on board. Schiller told Second Engineer Harris to notify the entire crew that their life depended on Schiller's good humor, because he had mined the vessel and loaded its cargo with bombs, which he could explode at any moment he saw fit.

Crew Obey His Orders.  
"The life of every man of this ship depends on absolute obedience to my orders," Schiller told his captives. "See that they are carried out to the letter if you value your life. If you do as I tell you I shall endeavor to save you all, and destroy the ship without loss of life."

During the whole night the British crew obeyed Schiller blindly, and headed the vessel down the coast as their captor commanded, after he had ransacked the boat for papers, money, and guns. He coolly confiscated three revolvers he found among the English officers, and also discovered ten pounds in English money and \$12 in American currency.

In the morning Schiller went on the bridge with the captain and ordered the ship headed for the Delaware Breakwater. He claimed that he had assured himself that the cargo, after all, was not such bad contraband as he had suspected when he smuggled himself on board, and that the captain's story during the night about his wife and children in England had greatly impressed him. For these reasons, Schiller announced that he would spare everybody on board, and give them a chance to take to the boats and land before the vessel blew up. Nobody, however, was to

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## Fair Women Turn the Tables The Hunters Now the Hunted

Female Social Pirates wreak justified vengeance on Male Wolves, who heretofore have shorn the lambs.

It's intensely interesting—this reversal of the usual order of things—and it's told completely in the series now running exclusively in the Magazine Section of the Sunday Herald—"The Social Pirates."

Each story is complete—next Sunday's is "The Corsican Sisters."

## Villa Executes 172 After Taking Town

International News Service.  
San Antonio, Tex., March 30.—News reached Gen. Funston tonight that within the last two days Villa has executed the towns of Guerrero and taken the garrison of 172 men out, lined them up and shot them.

## VILLA WOUNDED BY CARRANZA'S MEN, IS REPORT

Bandit Said to Have Been Shot in Skirmish Near Guerrero.

By H. H. STANSBURY.  
International News Service.  
El Paso, Tex., March 30.—In the news from Mexico and along the border today these facts stand out:  
Gen. Gabriel Garcia, the Carranza commander, received a telegram from Gen. Bertani, at Madera, which said Francisco Villa was wounded near Guerrero, in a skirmish with Carranzistas on Wednesday afternoon.

Mexican Consul Andres Garcia and Gen. Garcia claim they have had no notification from the first chief of permission having been granted to ship supplies to American troops over the Mexican Northwestern.

Villa Near Guerrero.  
After a secret conference with Gen. Bell this morning, Garcia sent a message to Minister of War Alvaro Obregon asking for instructions, but has not yet had a reply.

Carranza has ordered Garcia to seize for military purposes the only engine at Guadalupe in condition to haul a freight train.

The Carranzistas say Villa is near Guerrero tonight. This is 200 miles south of the border at Columbus and 100 miles west of Chihuahua City.

The nearest American troops to Villa are twenty miles north of Progreso. Other detachments are at Tepic, Durango, Coahuila, Chihuahua, San Miguel, and Colonia Dublan.

A number of bridges between Madera and La Junta on the Northwestern were burned yesterday presumably by Villistas under Col. Cervantes.

## WIRELESS INTERFERENCE

Columbus reports wireless interference has increased to such a degree that it was almost impossible for Gen. Pershing to transmit a code message to Gen. Funston, at the San Antonio headquarters. The interference is of such power, and it is so near, that it can come only from Juarez, according to secret service men, who are making an investigation.

## MEAGER DETAILS OF FIGHT

The details of the fighting between Villa and Carranzistas in the Guerrero district are meagre. Due to previous misinformation from the same source they would not be credited if not borne out in part by official communication to have come from Gen. Pershing today.

Gen. Pershing reports the fight, but makes no mention of the bandit chieftain having been wounded. Bertani's telegram said Villa had been shot in the left leg, and was clinging to his mount with difficulty when last seen.

## VILLA SYMPATHIZERS ASSASSINATE MAYOR

Alberto Rodriguez, of Ojinaga, Killed Wednesday—Town Across Rio Grande.

Special to The Washington Herald.  
El Paso, Tex., March 30.—Alberto E. Rodriguez, mayor of Ojinaga, Chihuahua, was assassinated Wednesday, presumably by Villa sympathizers. Andres Garcia, Carranza's consul here, was notified today by J. M. Cepeda, his representative there. The message read: "We do not know who did the act."

Ojinaga is across the river from Presidio, Tex.

## \$9,000 WAS TOO BIG TO REJECT, SAYS EMBALMER

Eugene Kane, Surrendering Self, Tells How Waite's Money Dazzled Him.

### SAYS BILLS ARE HIDDEN

Undertaker Explains He Did Not Think Deception Would Bring Trouble.

### WILL PRODUCE CASH TODAY

Declares Dentist Was Wild With Excitement When Bargain Over Fluid Was Struck.

Special to The Washington Herald.  
New York, March 30.—The frightful nervous strain induced by having \$9,000 in large bills suddenly and unexpectedly thrust into one's unwilling fingers, was described to District Attorney Sawin tonight by Eugene Oliver Kane, expert embalmer.

This happened, Kane admits, on March 21, when Arthur Warren Waite, knowing that detectives were trailing him, and seeing visions in sleepless nights of the electric chair, was imploring Kane to supply the district attorney with a sample of embalming fluid containing arsenic, and so deceive the authorities as to the cause of John E. Peck's death.

It was Waite alone, Kane said, who formulated a plot to deceive justice—Waite still driven by the bad man of Egypt. Every suggestion to falsify the embalming fluid came from Waite. Kane merely listened, saying neither yes nor no to any of the dentist's arguments, or pleas, but sure in his own mind, he told Judge Swann, that he would never get himself into trouble by such a stupid trick.

### GAVE HIM ROLL OF BILLS.

He led Waite along, so to speak, curiously to see how far his frightened man would go, and finally agreed, at Waite's insistence, to meet Waite at a cigar store in Fifty-ninth street near Ninth avenue. And then Waite appeared, out of breath, hair on end, eyes wild with excitement, thrusting at Kane a roll of bills.

"For God's sake get that stuff in the embalming fluid and get a sample down to the district attorney," Waite whispered.

"And I'll tell you, judge," Kane continued, "I was so flustered, and so scared, that I didn't know what I was doing. I'm not used to having young fortunes crammed into my fingers. It flustered me, and before I could shove the money back at Waite he was out and gone."

There was much more of the same purport—all revealing Kane as a student of psychology, and entirely innocent of wrongdoing, or even thought of wrongdoing. The whole story, in Judge Swann's opinion, will bear heavily against Waite when the dentist goes on trial for the murder by poison of his father-in-law, Mr. Peck.

The cash received from Dr. Waite will be surrendered to the district attorney tomorrow by Kane. After the embalmer had finished his direct statement tonight he was permitted to go home on the assurance of his lawyer that he would return to the Criminal Courts Building tomorrow for further questioning.

### SAYS HE BURIED CASH.

Tomorrow morning he promises to lead Assistant District Attorney John T. Dooling to the spot where he hid the cash. He hinted today that he had buried the \$9,000 roll near Greenport, Long Island, where he was on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, but Mr. Dooling was inclined to think that the money was not far from Kane's home in West Fifty-seventh street.

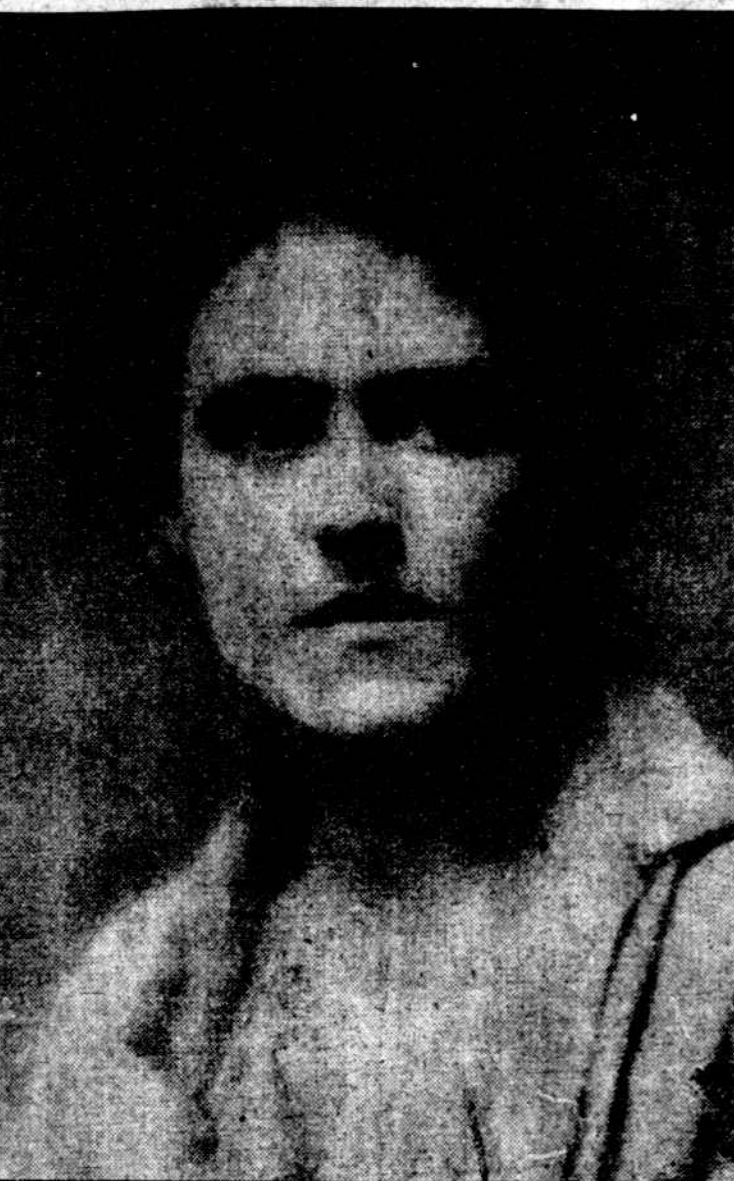
Kane's appearance at the district attorney's office this afternoon was unexpected. While no order for his arrest had been issued, he was, nevertheless, being diligently sought on the general theory formed by Judge Swann, that a material witness roaming loose with \$9,000 in his pocket ought to be pretty carefully tabbed.

Kane managed to keep out of the sight of the detectives on Wednesday night, and this morning, obtaining, meanwhile, the advice of counsel, and this afternoon he showed up at Judge Swann's office and said that he was ready to tell all that he knew about Waite's plot. He was questioned by Assistant District Attorney Dooling, with several assistants standing by.

### GERMAN STOWAWAYS ESCAPE.

New York, March 30.—Hans Winkler and Johann Roudin, two German stowaways, who were taken off the Holland-American liner Coesterdyk on March 2, got tired of waiting at Ellis Island for the end of the war to bring them freedom. Today they made a break for the Jersey shore, swimming about five hundred yards through the icy water to the Central Railroad of New Jersey yards, where they were arrested. They escaped by tearing blankets and sheets into strips and sliding down three stories to the bay.

## Heiress Ward of Mrs. Wilson Will Wed Dr. Cary Grayson



MISS ALICE GERTRUDE GORDON.

## White House Formally Confirms Report of Coming Marriage of Miss Alice Gertrude Gordon to President's Physician and Friend.

Formal announcement was made yesterday afternoon at the White House that Miss Alice Gertrude Gordon, former ward of the present Mrs. Wilson, had announced in New York her engagement to Dr. Cary C. Grayson, United States navy surgeon, and personal friend, aide and family physician to the President.

Miss Gordon's acquaintance with Dr. Grayson led to the meeting of President Wilson and Mrs. Galt, now his wife, in Washington. Dr. Grayson introduced Miss Gordon to Miss Margaret Wilson. The President was later presented to Miss Gordon, and through her met Mrs. Norman Galt, who at that time was Miss Gordon's guardian.

Miss Gordon was born in Mechlinburg County, Virginia, twenty-five years ago. Her parents moved to Washington when she was a few years old, and she has resided here since. Mrs. Wilson became Miss Gordon's guardian a few years ago when Miss Gordon's parents died.

The coming event is another romance born in the White House. Miss Gordon was a house guest of Miss Margaret Wilson at Cornish, N. H., last summer, at the same time Mrs. Wilson, then Mrs. Norman Galt, was a guest at the summer home of the President. Dr. Grayson was there also and his attentions to Miss Gordon were marked as those of President Wilson to Mrs. Galt.

Miss Gordon is 25 years old and inherited nearly a million dollars upon the death of her father. Notwithstanding her wealth she is not extravagantly inclined, and is regarded as a most sensible, lovable young woman. She is domestic in her tastes and possesses a fondness for outdoor sports.

## FRENCH HALT TWO ATTACKS

German Assaults in Douaumont Region Checked with Heavy Teuton Losses.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Paris, March 30.—After twelve days of comparative quiet in the Douaumont region, the Germans renewed their infantry attacks in this sector this morning. There had been heavy artillery bombardments of the trench lines here for some days in preparation for the attack, and the assault was accompanied by the throwing of burning liquids. The attack was completely repulsed. Shortly afterward a second attack was launched, and again the effort resulted in entire failure. The German losses in both attacks were considerable.

Last night the Germans made several counter-attacks against the French positions in the Avocourt wood. All the attacks were repulsed by the French fire curtain with heavy losses. Files of German dead were left in front of the Avocourt redoubt. Today there was only artillery activity on the western bank.

The French aviation corps has been very active in the past twenty-four hours. All told, seven German aeroplanes were brought down by French aviators and anti-aircraft guns, while all the French aviators returned unharmed. Five of the German machines were brought down in the region of Verdun.

London, March 30.—The Russians have at last halted their onslaughts against the German lines between Dvinsk and Vilna, according to today's German war office statement. This is the first full since the new Russian offensive in this sector began, the last two weeks having been marked by continuous violent fighting of Lake Narotch.

While semi-official Berlin advices assert that the battle at the Gorizia bridgehead, in which large Austrian and Italian forces have been engaged since Sunday, is still in progress, today's Austrian war office statement says Italian infantry attacks, both on this front, and in the Dobro sector, have ceased. Artillery duels are still raging on both fronts, however.

## PRIMA DONNA'S HUSBAND TAKEN IN PLOT PROBE

Mme. Gadski's Companion Arrested in Connection with Welland Canal Attempt.

### PRISONER DENIES GUILT

Capt. Tauscher Admits, However, that He Acted Under Orders from Von Papen.

### RELEASED UNDER \$25,000 BAIL

Most Important Stroke Made So Far by Department of Justice Agents. Office Is Searched.

International News Service.  
New York, March 30.—Capt. Hans Tauscher, husband of Mme. Gadski, the noted prima donna, was arrested today by Department of Justice agents on the charge of "settling on foot" in this country a military expedition to Canada for the purpose of destroying the Welland Canal. His arrest is the most important yet made in connection with the bomb and arson plots charged to German propagandists.

Federal officials say that Capt. Tauscher was the imperial government's expert on ordnance in this country. The prisoner admitted that he acted under secret orders issued by Capt. Franz von Papen, the recalled military attaché of the German Embassy at Washington.

After Capt. Tauscher submitted to arrest a search of the office was made. Federal officials would not say whether any incriminating evidence was found.

### HELD UNDER \$25,000 BOND.

Capt. Tauscher was hurried to the Government Building and assigned here United States Commissioner Clarence S. Houghton. He was represented by Attorney George Frankenthaler. On motion of Assistant District Attorney Rogers Woods, Capt. Tauscher was held under \$25,000 bail. He denied his guilt.

Capt. Tauscher was released after the National Security Company had furnished the bond. He hurried to his home in West Seventy-seventh street and declined to make any statement.

### SIX MEN IN PLOT.

Six men were implicated in the plot. Capt. Tauscher and Von der Goltz were two of them. A third, named in the warrant upon which the former was arrested, is Alfred A. Fritzen. He has disappeared. The arrest of the three remaining men is predicted at any time.

Details of the plot were planned with infinite care. Its failure was attributed by the government to a plain case of "cold feet" on the part of those to whom was entrusted the work of planting the explosives. According to Von der Goltz, the dynamites failed to appear in Buffalo at the appointed time.

### THE PLOT IN DETAIL.

United States District Attorney H. Snowden Marshall told of the ramifications of the plot. He said the dynamite was purchased from one of the largest manufacturers of explosives in this country. It was brought to New York on a vessel said to be the Magdeburg.

Late at night several of the conspirators procured a motor boat and slipped alongside the vessel. The explosives were quickly transferred and the occupants of the smaller boat set off at high speed. The dynamite was landed and taken to the boarding house of one of the plotters. It was then packed in six suit cases and in this manner conveyed to Buffalo.

Because of the miscarriage of plans District Attorney Marshall said the explosives were not taken across the border.

## ALIENS ARE REPORTED MURDERED BY VILLA

Bandit Said to Have Killed German Subject and Two Other Foreigners at Minaca.

El Paso, Tex., March 30.—Further evidence of Villa's activities in the Guerrero district were received late tonight in a telegram from Chihuahua City. It said that Herman Skouloudis, a German subject, and two other foreigners were murdered at Minaca yesterday.

Blankenberg left El Paso only a few weeks ago to look after the mining interests of his employers, against the advice of friends and the authorities.

The other foreigners known to be in Minaca are A. J. Locke, an American merchant; B. Heimold, a miner, and Benjamin Snell, a cattle dealer.

### U-BOAT VICTIMS IN SEA SEVEN HOURS.

Queens town (via London), March 30.—Joseph Gleason, of Boston, a fireman on the British steamship Eagle point, sunk by a submarine, says that he was in an open boat with twenty-one other survivors for seven hours in a freezing northeaster, and a heavy sea. The survivors were sitting in water thigh-deep, and had no chance to save their belongings. The American consul has taken Gleason's testimony.

## BERLIN TO CONTINUE RELENTLESS SUB WAR BY REICHSTAG ORDER

Main Committee of Chamber Agrees to Carry Through U-Boat Crusade With All Possible Energy.

### NEW EVIDENCE IN SUSSEX CASE

Captain of Vessel Reports He Saw Wake of Torpedo and Tried to Avoid Projectile—U. S. Experts to Examine Bits of Bronze Metal.

### GERMANY'S SUBMARINE PLEDGES VS. THE RECORD

THE PLEDGES.  
"No enemy merchantman is to be torpedoed without warning unless the presence of armament on board such vessel is proved."—Pledge to United States government by Berlin February 28, 1916.

"The order issued by his majesty the Emperor to the commanders of German submarines has been made so stringent that the recurrence of incidents similar to the Arabic case is considered out of the question."—Ambassador von Bernstorff to Secretary Lansing October 5, 1915.

### THE RECORD.

Since February 20, a total of forty-eight vessels, with an approximate tonnage of 82,348, have been sunk, with a loss of 106 lives. The cross-channel liner Sussex was attacked, but not sunk, and fifty lives were lost. Several Americans were seriously injured. Of the vessels sunk all but six were merchantmen, and thirteen were those of neutral nations.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, March 30.—An agreement has been reached by the Reichstag main committee that "Germany's sea warfare should be carried through by all means most instrumental in securing a successful issue of the war," according to a wireless dispatch today from Berlin.

During an exhaustive discussion of the subject, says the dispatch, Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, Admiral von Capelle, secretary for the admiralty, and Dr. Solf, the colonial secretary, again delivered speeches.

It was especially emphasized in the discussion, the dispatch adds, that any interference with the authorities in command was far from the purpose of the movers of the recent motion regarding the conduct of submarine warfare, and the chancellor declared that he recognized the motives of the movers.

The agreement reached in committee is said to have been unanimous.

### SUSSEX CAPTAIN'S REPORT.

Paris, March 30.—In the official report of the captain of the cross-channel steamship Sussex on the circumstances under which she was damaged by an explosion in crossing the channel last Friday, with the loss of about fifty lives, the following passage occurs:

"I perceived about 2:50 o'clock, the wake of a torpedo 150 yards to port. I immediately ordered the helm thirty degrees to the right, and in order to accelerate the maneuver, ordered the stoppage of the starboard engine, which was immediately done. All my efforts notwithstanding, I could not avoid the projectile, which hit the bow of the Sussex on a line with the foremast and produced a formidable explosion carrying away all of the front of the vessel up to the first slight bulkhead."

Eight additional aeroplanes were ordered yesterday by the War Department for use in connection with the pursuit of Villa. Four of these will be Curtiss machines, and four will be the Sturtevant type. They will cost about \$5,000 each, exclusive of extra parts, but though some will be delivered on the border in about two weeks, the last of them will not be available for more than a month.

According to Secretary of War Baker, who announced the purchase, the aeroplanes will be the most powerful ever acquired by the army. The types were decided upon on the basis of their guaranteed efficiency, the rapidity at which they can attain a given altitude and their carrying capacity.

They will be equipped with engines of 150 horsepower, as against the 85-horsepower engines now used in army aircraft. Each will be equipped to carry a pilot and an observer and sufficient gasoline for a four-hour sustained flight.

### GREEK PREMIER INSULTED.

Cavalry Called Out to Quell Demonstrations.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Rome, March 30.—It is reported from Athens that police operations conducted by the entente forces in several parts of the Greek islands have aroused excitement in Athens.

A stormy meeting took place in the Chamber of Deputies, the president being obliged on several occasions to suspend the sitting. Premier Skouloudis was grossly insulted, his declarations, particularly his refusal to give fuller explanation, being greeted with hisses and shouts. Demonstrations which took place were broken up by the cavalry.

### PACIFIST EJECTED AS WOOD TALKS

New York, March 30.—Some excitement attended Maj. Gen. Wood's appearance at the College of the City of New York today, when he spoke on "Preparedness." One student, who tried to rally the forces opposed to preparedness, was hustled unceremoniously out of the hall.

Gen. Wood said, in the course of his address: "All soldiers, whether afloat or ashore, are believers in arbitration. Efforts for peace are as old as the world itself, but there is no evidence which warrants us in saying that there will be no more wars."

Greeks Locate Submarine Bases.

London, March 30.—A Rome wireless dispatch says that four bases for German submarines have been located on the Greek coast and that a number of spies have been arrested.